

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **NORTH VANCOUVER SCHOOL DISTRICT**

#### **Meeting Summary of October 8, 2019**

Meeting Summary of the Board of Education's Standing Committee Meeting held at the Education Services Centre, 2121 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver, British Columbia, on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

#### **Meeting Attendance:**

Trustees Tsiakos, Sacré, Mann and Bruce were all in attendance.

#### **Call to Order:**

Standing Committee Chair George Tsiakos called the Standing Committee Meeting to order at 7:00 pm, thanking those in attendance for coming to engage with the School District. The traditional territorial lands of the Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation were acknowledged.

#### **Artificial Intelligence:**

Assistant Superintendent Atkinson reviewed the mandate for, and the goals of, public education in BC, as well as the technological advancements that have occurred in society since 2007 that have led to the emergence of artificial intelligence (AI). Mr. Atkinson addressed the effect of rapid change on human systems and reviewed examples of AI in the world today. Attendees were encouraged to share their thoughts throughout the presentation.

Trustee Tsiakos and Assistant Superintendent Atkinson facilitated small, group discussions amongst attendees as well as a large, general group discussion on the influence these new technologies have had and may have in the future, on the education system. In particular, the discussion focused on the three goals of public education in BC: intellectual development, human and social development, and career development. Designated note-takers at each table group captured the group's responses; these comments will be collated and reviewed by NVSD staff to provide future direction to the school district.

#### **Next Meeting:**

November 5, 2019  
Mountain View Room